

October 12, 2022

Dear Residents and Families,

With the new COVID-19 Bivalent booster being released, and our long term care residents being 100% boosted and up to date with the vaccine here at Episcopal Church Home, we have decided to update our visitation.

Families/ visitors will now be able to join their loved ones in recreation programs, and in the dining room. Physical distance should be maintained as much as possible within the dining room, or recreation program from anyone other than your loved one/ resident you are visiting. Visitors are still required to show proof of a negative COVID-19 test prior to your visit per Department of Health Guidelines, and must wear a mask at all times throughout your visit.

We know how challenging COVID has been for our residents, loved one's, and the staff. We are hoping that by lifting some of these restrictions, that families and staff will be able to rebuild relationships that we have lost, get to know each other better, and work together again!

To see an updated version of our Visitation Guidelines, please view here.

We are hosting a conference call next **Friday, October 21st at 12:00 p.m.** to discuss further what this looks like, and to answer questions families may have. To access the call, **dial (312) 757-3121/Access Code: 847-361-053**. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at (585) 546-8439 x3432 or <u>ishiltz@EpiscopalSeniorLife.org</u>.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Jessica Kelley Shiltz, LMSW Director of Life Enrichment